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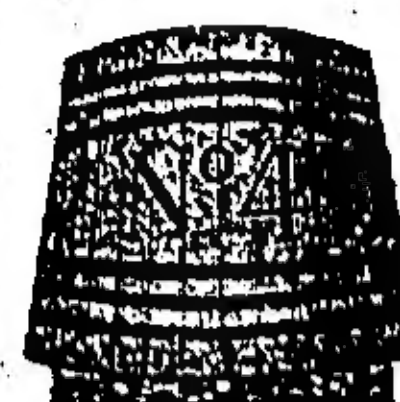
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"PAY BEARER 1,000 GOOD WISHES."

An amusing case has been reported to the police. It is to the effect that a Portuguese, who is residing on a hill, recently invited some gentlemen friends to dinner with him, and for their entertainment sent for three Chinese singing girls. When the girls came to be paid for their services the Portuguese produced what he gave the girls to understand, was a cheque and signed it for the amount asked—\$15—telling them to take it to a certain bank. When the girls went to the bank they were soon convinced that they had been made the victims of a hoax, for the alleged cheque was nothing other than a printed form empowering "The Bank of Good Luck" to pay the bearer "One Thousand Good Wishes."

CORRESPONDENCE.

SUBSIDIARY COINAGE.

(To the Editor of the "CHINA MAIL.")
Sir,—Having found a little spare time to reply to your Correspondent "Wage-earner's" letter I crave permission for space in your widely read paper for the insertion of this letter.

Mr "Wage-earner" has suggested that I should be none the worse for a short lesson in political economy and has put forward the axiom that Governments are given the sole right of coining money on the distinct understanding that their coins shall always command their par value and that the Government of this Colony has dishonoured its own coin, therefore it has broken faith and is now justly called to account.

Let it be understood beforehand that I am not an advocate of the Government, which I have no doubt will, in due course of time, satisfy even the most obtuse sceptics of the wisdom of its action in this matter for the best interests of the community, as a whole, and not of any particular individual firm or company.

I am only expressing my personal views in this matter, which, when placed side by side with the line of argument adopted by Mr "Wage-earner," I am confident your readers, or at least the majority of them, will support my contention that the Government is wise in sitting on the fence for the present.

The local Government, it does not appear to me, has dishonoured its own coin, as alleged by Mr "Wage-earner," for the simple reason that the coins in question have not been accepted as legal tender (at their par value) to the extent of \$2, at one time, by the Post Office, the Treasury and the Banks, and should also be accepted, at their par value, to the extent of \$2 at one time, by the public.

If "Wage-earner" is paid his salary in bank notes he will gain 6 cents for every dollar of change of Hongkong subsidiary coin, which he can use for the purposes I have mentioned. Does he then lose anything by the existing conditions? Presumably your correspondent Mr "Wage-earner" wishes to see the adoption of legislation against the issue of Chinese subsidiary coin. I have just demonstrated that it has its advantages in as much as Mr "Wage-earner" gains a premium of 6% on his bank notes "through the presence in our midst of Chinese Subsidiary Coin."

Let us assume that the Government is guided by "Wage-earner" and his satellites to pass legislation, which, in order to be effective, would necessitate searches of the persons and luggage of the thousands of Chinese arriving here from Macao, Canton, and other parts of China, for Chinese subsidiary coin, the penalties for possession of which, for arguments' sake, being either fines or imprisonment in default.

Counting that such measure is completely effective, in checking the influx of Chinese coins into this place, without going into the question of retaliation by China, but it should be remembered, however, that this is a British Colony and that legislation is simply made against China on account of her weakness. But what about other Foreign coins? Will a veto be placed on the importation of such coins as well? I have contended and still maintain that the Government has been wise in their policy in sitting on the fence for a fit opportunity to act and not demoralize trade by any hasty and ill-considered project.

Consult your Bankers, Mr "Wage-earner" who will, I am sure, take my view of the position.—Yours faithfully,
HONGKONG, October 16.

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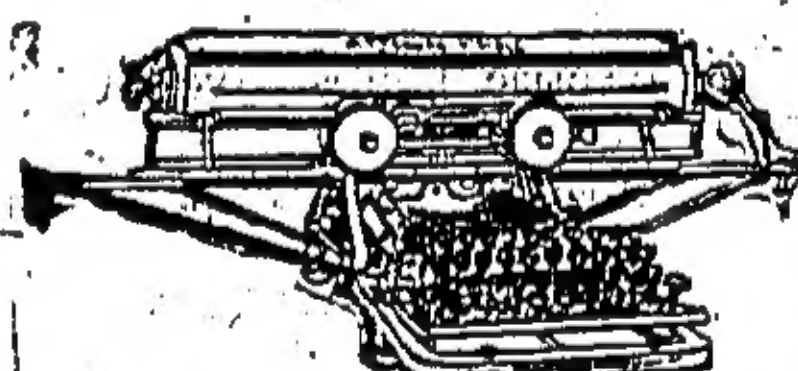
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NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE THIRTIETH ORDINARY
YEARLY MEETING of Share-
holders in the above Company will be held
at the Company's Town Office, 2, Lower
Albert Road, Hongkong, on TUESDAY,
the 19th October, at 12.30 P.M., for the
purpose of presenting the Report of the
Directors and Statement of Accounts to
31st July, 1909.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Com-
pany will be CLOSED from 11th to 19th
October, 1909, both days inclusive.

By Order,

M. MANUE,

Acting Secretary.

Hongkong, October 1, 1909.

CANTON INSURANCE OFFICE.

LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE TWENTY-EIGHTH ORDINARY
MEETING of Shareholders will be
held at the Office of the Undersigned on
FRIDAY, the 22nd inst., at 11 A.M.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Com-
pany will be CLOSED from the 8th to the
22nd instant, both days inclusive.

JARDINE, MATTHEWSON & Co., Ltd.,
General Agents.

Hongkong, October 8, 1909.

HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

NOTICE.

AN EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL
MEETING of MEMBERS of the
above Club will be held on SATURDAY,
the 23rd October, 1909, at 12.15 P.M., at
the Office of the Jockey Club on the
Ground Floor of the Hongkong Club
Annex, Chater Road, a notice regarding
which is being sent to each Member.

By Order,

T. F. HOUGH,

Clerk of the Course.

Hongkong, October 6, 1909.

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DAVID WOOD,

Hon. Secretary.

Hongkong, September 6, 1909.

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HAMILTON NOTES.

I hear the Shanghai swimming team
"lay low" on their return and perhaps
ragging after their defeat by Hongkong.
But after all the Shanghai swimmers have
no reason to growl. MacCabe's per-
formance was splendid and Hong-
kongites could not touch him. If he par-
ticipates next year in the inter-port
aquatics sports I anticipate our men will have
their work cut out to retain the flag now
in their keeping.

It did my heart good to hear the happy
laughter of the children ringing glad and
free at the Circus the other afternoon.
What glorious memories most of us carry
down the years of first visits to the circus.
The smell of the sawdust, the pungent
aroma of the fumes, the strange odours
of the menagerie all come back again in
all their intense vividness every time I find
myself beneath the canvas, roosting of a
circus tent. The years roll back and I am
a small excited boy again.

Wonderful were the performances I
remember in the days of my
youth, more wonderful still appear the
displays made in the arena at the present
day as told by the children, and I
suppose our children's children will
suppose the same thing a quarter of a cen-
tury hence. For though the circus is a
form of entertainment which runs back far
into old Roman times, it yet retains a
perennial freshness, making it acceptable
to every age.

I suppose it is because St. Andrew's
Day is drawing nigh—the dates of these
very jolly practice dances inseparably
associated with this great annual function
are fixed—that an Edinburgh correspondent
sends me the following lines. I don't profess
to understand them a bit myself, and I have
no doubt that many of my readers may
under from the same disability.

THE BOY'S REPERTORY.

Whence what was the ripper he bravely
could tell.
And lang ere a heuk had been laid to
the trap;
He sampled the neaps, wi' the best for
himself,
And the worst for his buttie, kee-ree at the
slap.

The black-sheepit, wool touched bean was
his joy.
To peck at the dark'nin', and scow for
the yett;
It wauks the beans but the risk o' the play,
And the pecker to catchin', the crafter
they s't.

He kent whaur the thistle had hoddin his
chooses.
When his weel-hauckit gully had strippit
the bag;
He speer't us what akep was expectin' the
bees.

For the black-sheepit, wool touched bean was
his joy.
To peck at the dark'nin', and scow for
the yett;
It wauks the beans but the risk o' the play,
And the pecker to catchin', the crafter
they s't.

The homelock's toom shank was a gun to his
haunt.
To peck Willie's nose wi' a battery o'
haves;
And he'd lang tattle-plooms frae the end
o' a whaup,
To fricht the bit rabbits, and bother the
craws.

He learned the red rowan the dervish's ship
On his father's auld pipe, wi' a green for
a key;
And he kept the kittle wee seeds o' the
hip.
To sap 'twix the shoulders o' Leazie
and Meg.

And his fechts in the stocks, wi' his cheek
and his brow
War-paintit wi' bramie!—But there let
me en!
It's aften I wonder if ladies scoot
Ken band o' the fun that September was
then!

Now I can read a little of Bobbie Burns
and understand him; I can also tackle
Ian MacLaren and some other exponents of
the Kailyard school with a certain amount
of assurance, but the lines printed above
completely floor me. A vernacular dic-
tionary and a glossary might perhaps
help a little, but even then the right turn
shed would be dim, I fear. (Note by the
Editor:—Puff body, braud Scots is not an
accomplishment, it's a gift!) So I should
imagine.

While on the subject of boys, however,
how does the following schoolboy "howler"
from Ulster compare with none of its
predecessors?—One of the Edwards was
murdered by his uncle Richard, who now
smoking in the Tower of London.
This lot was taken by the Henrys.
One had six wives and died in the hope of
a glorious resurrection. He wanted eight
wives but was cut off like a flower in
the field before he could get the other two.
Of the ladies who reigned over one was
named Mary. She was a great plague.
She started the fire of Smithfield. There
was Queen Anne. She is dead
now.

Most men and women who have wan-
dered out East have dropped across Pierre
Loti's writings some time or other. To
a few the gifted Frenchman has appealed
with "Madame Chrysantheum," that very
misleading story of the "under life" at
Nagasaki, others have taken up his Tuckah
or other Oriental escapades; but whatever
the volume, I know they always found it
fascinating and also imbued with a specially
biting hatred of the English and all things
English.

But Pierre Loti has been converted!
Yes, London has shown her wonders
drawn over his sensitive soul and he is now
up to being conquered at last by the very
people over whom he had hitherto poured
the vials of his contemptuous penance. He
devoted a long article in a recent number of
the "Figaro" to the history of the 1860s and

and method of London, and to the refine-
ment of the Londoner. "I find Lon-
don," he says, "a peaceful city, where the
sprawling, noisy, and noisy with lofty trees,
lawns, and lakes."
There seem to be flowers everywhere. The most humble
balcony, the most modest window, has its
basket of flowers. How neat and methodical
everything is in the streets, in the way the
traffic is handled! No quarrels! No one
raises his voice. And how dis-
creetly the women are dressed. Nowhere
do I see extravagant hats like those which
make the Avenue de l'Opera look like the
recreation hall of a lunatic asylum. It is
strange indeed. I fancied that in London
everything would be repulsive to me, and
on the contrary, I feel my racial dislikes of
the English nation gradually vanish." So
perish all such prejudices!

There have been some queer stories told
in the Supreme Court of Hongkong in
years gone by, but I think the money lending
case reported the other day must surely be
fictitious in its class. I did not think
such things were possible these days—
there, one lives and learns.

Harry Cole, the comedian, is out in the
Far East again. The other day he dropped
into Colombo and to fill up time gave
the best part of an evening's entertain-
ment all off his own hat. One who
was present and heard him says he is more
droll than ever. He will be turning up in
Hongkong shortly with one of the Band
man combinations. Miss George Corliss,
I hear, is playing Principal Boy in one of
the provincial pantomimes this coming
Christmas. She spent part of the summer
at the Isle of Wight and is in much better
health than when she left Hongkong.

RAMBLER.

CANTON NOTES.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

CANTON, October 15.

ARRIVAL OF A NEW JUDGE.

The new Provincial Judge arrived in
Hongkong yesterday morning and came up
to Canton in the afternoon by a Chinese
river-cruiser. As yet, no date has been
settled to hand over to him the insignia of
his office, but the ceremony will doubtless
take place in a few days. The new Pro-
vincial Treasurer will also shortly arrive
in the city and those officers who have been
acting in these posts will then return to
their substantive appointments.

IMITATING TRADE MARKS.

The Japanese Consul has had occasion
to complain of the action of three Chinese
manufacturers of matches who have fraudu-
lently imitated a Japanese trade-mark.
The Consul has requested the Viceroy to
deal out severe punishment to the offenders
as the infringement of copyright com-
stitutes a serious breach of commercial
morality. The Viceroy has directed an
official to enquire into the matter.

OBSTACLES TO RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION.

The superstitious ignorance of certain
natives of the Tung Koon and Tang Shing
districts is impeding the construction of
the Canton and Kowloon Railway. The
officer in charge of the Railway Bureau
has had occasion to complain that three
natives assailed the workmen and en-
deavoured to destroy the line. The Viceroy
has placed the matter in the hands of the
Tactical for the Development of Native In-
dustry and has bidden that official to
inform the local magistrates that they are
to deal severely with the offenders. The
local gentry, under pain of punishment, are
requested to aid the authorities to the
utmost of their power in bringing the
offenders to justice.

REORGANIZING AT KAI HOI.

The appearance of a theatrical troupe in
the above locality has led to an influx of
robbers who are devastating the district.
The residents have appealed to Admiral Li
and a troupe of soldiers is to be dispatched
to the place immediately. The theatrical
troupe has been told to leave the place
at once, but he absolutely refuses to do so.
The Nam Hoi Magistrate has been directed
to bring him to book.

COTTON GROWING.

The soil of the Koi Kung district is
peculiarly adapted for cotton growing,
the local gentry have requested that cotton
seed be supplied to them. The Tactical for
the Development of Native Industries has
agreed to supply the seed but states that
as cotton is not planted until the Spring,
the seed will not be supplied until the Spring.
The natives are now waiting for the seed
in their ignorance, should spoil it.

CHINESE VESSELS EXPLORING DATA.

In the Customs Service, it has been usual to
use the Western system of dates in settling
accounts. This is giving some offence to
the Ministers of Finance who are of opinion
that the Chinese system should be used.
The Minister suggests that January and
February and March of the present year be
regarded as the first quarter of the first
year of the Emperor, Hsun Tung, and that
the rest of the year be divided into 2nd,
3rd and 4th quarters. It is said that the
Customs authorities have protested against
this arrangement, but a notice adopting
the Chinese system has been distributed to
the various Customs Houses.

SUCCESSFUL MEDICAL STUDENTS.

The students in the 1st Class of the
Government Medical College have recently
finished their course. The successful
students have been drafted to various
regiments of the Army. The officer in
charge of the Provincial Military Bureau
has sent an application to head-quarters
asking that the more promising of the
students be sent to Japan to pursue further
studies. The Government is to pay their
expenses. The result of the application is
not yet known.

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On MONDAY, the 18th October:—
From Stonecutters Central in a South-
Westerly direction, at ranges up to 2.30
A.M., and finishing at 1 P.M.

On TUESDAY, the 19th October:—
From Saiwan in a North-Easterly direc-
tion, at ranges up to 10 A.M., and finishing
at 1 P.M.

On THURSDAY, the 21st October:—
From Pottinger in a South-Westerly
direction, at ranges up to 11.30
A.M., and finishing at 4 P.M., and
finishing at 1 P.M.

On FRIDAY, the 22nd October:—
From Stonecutters West in a Westerly
to North-Westerly direction, at
ranges up to 6.30 A.M., and finishing
at 1 P.M.

On SATURDAY, the 23rd October:—
From Pinewood in a North-Westerly
direction, at ranges up to 6.30
A.M., and finishing at 1 P.M.

If the weather is unfavourable on any
of the above dates, practice will take place
on the following day.

All ships, junks and other vessels are to
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Amusement.

9.15 p.m.—Performance of Hammett's Circus at Kennedy Town.

General Memoranda.

WEDNESDAY, October 13.

11 a.m.—Auction of Household Furniture, etc. at Messrs. Hughes & Hough's Sales Rooms.

2.45 p.m.—Auction of Household Furniture at No. 5, Cameron Villas (No. 59) The Peak.

6 p.m.—Meeting of Kowloon Cricket Club at Club Pavilion.

THURSDAY, October 14.

2.30 p.m.—Auction of Household Furniture, etc. at Mr. Geo. P. Lammer's Sales Rooms.

4 p.m.—Military Gun Practice.

FRIDAY, October 15.

11 a.m.—Meeting of Canton Insurance Office, Ltd. at Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co.'s Office.

SATURDAY, October 16.

12.15 p.m.—Meeting of Hongkong Jockey Club on the ground floor of Hongkong Club Annex, Chester Road.

9 p.m.—Boxing at the City Hall.

9.15 p.m.—Open Air Concert on Volunteer Parade Ground.

SATURDAY, October 16.

5.30 p.m.—Organ Recital, in St. John's Cathedral.

THURSDAY, November 4.

9 p.m.—Concert at City Hall.

The China Mail.

HONGKONG, MONDAY, OCTOBER 18, 1909.

THE CANTON TRIAL.

It is a trite saying among the cynical that the Eleventh Commandment should read: "Thou must not be found out." But we would ask the worldly-wise and disillusioned folk who utter this glib axiom whether they are really prepared to stand by their declaration. If it were truly the basic principle upon which the ordinary individual conducts his way of life then we fear that the standard of human morality would be even lower than the cynics would have us believe. We cling, however, to a higher opinion of our fellowmen and women than this cynical saying drapes them with, and we decline to believe that it is only the fear of being found out that keeps us all within the narrow bounds of strict probity and unsmirched honour. Indeed, the high credit which Europeans generally have won in the Far East disproves the truth of the thesis, for our ethical position, here in China, at any rate, is based on the assured and well-tried conviction that we deal rightly, honourably, and with clean hands, in all transactions as between man and man regardless of race, creed or colour. There are unfortunate and rare exceptions, we admit, but being exceptions they prove the rule.

The proceedings which occupied the British Consular Court at Canton during the latter half of last week have been followed by most Europeans, we feel sure, with feelings of shame and sorrow. Shame, that a man placed in a position of high and peculiar responsibility should have been found unworthy of the trust placed in him; sorrow, that a career hitherto

honourable and respected should close in such a miserable fashion. Ably defended by counsel, given every opportunity by the Crown Advocate and the Judge to explain his position, prisoner could only advance the plea which has been put forward in so many similar cases and as invariably brushed aside as utterly untenable, that he thought money which had been entrusted to his keeping could be used for his private purposes, so long as he paid back the sums so obtained before a final accounting was made. Mr. H. P. Wilkinson, the Crown Advocate, who never strained the plain meaning of the law in the slightest or unduly pressed the charges against the unhappy man, had little difficulty in explaining to the jury the extreme fallacy underlying this line of defence, while Mr. Justice Smith very clearly and forcibly pointed out that the essence of fraudulent misappropriation was not as Mr. Douglas, the able Counsel for the defence, had stated, intention. "It was wrongfully converting to one's own use money which had been entrusted to a person. If a man was given money to take care of, instead of doing that used it for his own purposes, that man was guilty of fraudulent misappropriation," said His Honour. The jury took forty-five minutes to consider their verdict and on their return they found prisoner guilty on all counts.

We imagine that there will be little disagreement with the finding nor with the sentence passed by the Judge. In some respects the sentence is a heavy one, but then we must not forget, as the Crown Advocate reminded the jury in his closing address, that "the defendant was not only in a position of trust, where he was representing the honesty of Great Britain, but he was representing the honesty of Englishmen in China." Thereby being unfaithful he besmirched the fair fame and honour of his countrymen and lowered the standards for honesty which they have erected with so much labour and high intent since the days of John Company downward. His punishment is heavy, but then his misdemeanour was very great.

NEWS OF THE DAY.

The Volunteer concert to be given next Saturday on behalf of the Dosean Girls Orphanage should draw a big attendance, for the charitable objects of this institution appeal to very wide circles.

A very interesting and enjoyable social took place at the Club Lusitano on Saturday, there being a large attendance. The music by Macdonald's string band was most pleasing and the dancing was thoroughly enjoyed.

We would draw our readers attention to the advertisement appearing in another column above the signature of the President of the Sanitary Board, warning householders regarding the removal of rubbish, etc.

Sermons were delivered throughout the Colony on Sunday on behalf of the Hospitals. The Bishop of Victoria preached at St. John's Cathedral; the Rev. W. Hewitt at St. Peter's; the Rev. C. H. Hocking at Union Church; and the Rev. J. A. A. Baker at the Wesleyan Church, Wanchai.

ITEMS AT THE COURTS.

Two Chinese ladies were charged at the Magistrate's Court with disorderly conduct. They were bound over to be of good behaviour for twelve months in sums of \$200 each.

Mr. O. E. Norris, residing at Queen's Hotel, was charged at the Magistrate's Court with the larceny of a blouse and brooch, the property of Mr. F. Gray, also a boarder at the hotel. The case was remanded.

Ip Sang, Li Yau and Chan Wan pleaded guilty to a charge of armed robbery, at the Criminal Sessions to-day, before Mr. H. H. J. Gompertz, Acting Chief Justice, and His Lordship sentenced prisoners to four years' imprisonment each with hard labour.

Arising out of the above case seven natives were charged with trespassing in the Central Police Station compound and were fined \$15 each. They were part of a huge crowd which followed the Chinese ladies up to the Police Station, shouting and screaming all the way. They got within the gates and were promptly arrested.

THE TYPHOON.

As we anticipated on Saturday Hongkong seems destined to experience a very heavy blow within the next twelve hours, and possibly may receive the full force of a typhoon. At noon to-day the disturbance was less than 300 miles South-east of the Colony and moving directly N.W. From all appearances it is one of the biggest and ugliest customers which has swept the China Seas this season and if it is moving at the rate of 13 miles an hour, which is conjectured by the steady fall of the barometer at various points, we should be experiencing the first of the heavy blow by midnight. Of course there is always a possibility of the typhoon recurring slightly or being deflected by the N.E. monsoon from its present course, but it is possible this time seem so slight that we may expect the centre to pass close to the Colony or even right over us, at or before noon, to-morrow. The Observatory reports the next ten hours will be watched with interest.

From the Manila Observatory the American Consulate in Hongkong has received the following telegrams:—
Manila, October 17, 8.30 a.m.—
Cyclone or Typhoon N.E. of Manila, moving W.N.W.
Manila, October 17, 6 p.m.—
Cyclone or Typhoon crossing Northern Luzon moving W.N.W.
Manila, October 18, 8 a.m.—
Cyclone or Typhoon W. of Northern Luzon less than 100 miles distant, moving W.N.W.

THE KING'S BIRTHDAY.

Subject to the permission of the G.O.C. the band of the 13th Rajputs has been engaged to go to Canton to celebrate the King's birthday on November 9th. At a reception to be held at H.B.M.'s Consulate at noon the band will play a special arrangement of "The King," written by Mr. Coke, Bandmaster, accompanied by the bells, full band and drums of the regiment, 80 strong. It is expected the Viceroy of Canton will be present. In the evening a concert is being arranged which will be high class, with songs accompanied by the band.
Mr. Grove, Mr. Griffith, Mr. Kent and Mr. Carter are arranging a good sports programme for the afternoon. They are being assisted by the various heads of the business firms on the Shamseens.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

It is understood that the Secretary of State has approved of the appointment of Dr. J. W. Hartley as a permanent member of the Government Medical Staff.

Mr. W. A. Rublee, who succeeds Dr. Wilder as Consul-General for the United States in Hongkong, is due here the first week in December. He is travelling on the P.M. s.s. Siberia.

CORRESPONDENCE.

BRUSHWOOD AND SANITATION.

(To the Editor of the "CHINA MAIL.")
SIR—Some of the proposals made at recent meetings of the Sanitary Board would, if enforced, cause such serious expense to many householders that I hope you will allow me to state my views against them.

It is generally admitted that mosquitoes are the breeders of malaria and it is an unquestioned fact that brushwood harbours mosquitoes, and from this it is argued that if brushwood is cleared, mosquitoes will be considerably reduced in numbers. It was at one time suggested that this clearing should extend for 100 yards round any isolated dwelling; now 400 to 500 yards is proposed. Arrangements have been made under which the Botanical and Forestry Department may, if desired, clear the neighbourhood of a dwelling at the expense of the owner, the charge for this is fixed at 50 cents per thousand square feet. At this rate, clearing brushwood round an isolated dwelling would cost about \$180. \$4.00 on the 100 yards radius scheme, and \$1,800 on the 500 yards radius scheme, for each dwelling. There are, of course, very few dwellings even at the Peak so much as 500 yards from a neighbour, but if the cost be halved or quartered it is still a very formidable sum. As ordinary clearing, ignoring the question of scientific supervision of the ground, is mostly Crown Land and the head of the Botanical and Forestry Department claims the monopoly of dealing with it, so that the householder is not in a position to attempt to get better terms elsewhere.

The question then arises—will the proposed clearing reduce mosquitoes as expected? Mosquitoes breed in water and it appears to me that given the mosquitoes dump their rubbish in a thicket or down a stream course. This rubbish contains old tins which hold water and in which the larvae grow. If such thickets were removed the dumping might be stopped. Much more might be done at little expense and without raising controversial questions in the way of filling up breeding pools and emptying breeding receptacles. Last year an old disused water tank was found near my house, the top had fallen in and it was swarming with mosquitoes. Not being authorized to serve a notice on anyone I intercepted some coolies with building rubbish and had it filled in. At another time I found a large tub full of water and mosquitoes, larvae in a back yard at the house I had it emptied.

It seems to me that there is a reasonable limit beyond which sanitation is not worth the expense. Personally I would rather live in a house than live in a state of siege, and I am sure that the majority of the people who appear to be the Medical Officer of Health's ideal of a sanitary country—Yours, etc.

SPORTING.

Hongkong Gymkhana Club.

THE OTHER RACE.

The last gymnkhana of the season was concluded on Saturday afternoon under most favourable conditions. The weather was excellent, the sport good and the "Buffs" band played pleasing selections during the afternoon.
The last race of the day was very amusing. Mick, the circus baby elephant, (with Dupree up, looking anything but comfortably seated) caused considerable merriment as he came trundling down the course, being led by his starting place.
During the afternoon a party arrived from Government House and while the Union Jack was hoisted over the Governor's stand the band struck up the National Anthem.

The results were as follows:—
GYMKHANA STAKES—Value \$100. Distance One Mile. For all China Ponies. A Cup called the Gymkhana Cup will be presented at the end of the Season to be won by the Pony scoring most marks in the races for the Gymkhana Stakes at the Gymkhana Meetings during the Season, counting 4 points for a first, 3 for a second and 1 for a third. Points awarded up to date are as follows:—

Garth	13
Trid	12
Red Friend	11
Northman	1
Mr. W. J. Gresson's Garth, 158 lbs. (Mr. Mackie)	1
Mr. John Johnston's Hartblatt, 146 lbs. (Owner)	2
Mr. Blank's Greyback, 146 lbs. (Mr. Dupree)	3
Mr. Setti's The Tortoise (late Strathmill), 146 lbs. (Owner)	0

After some fidgeting at the post the ponies were sent away to a bad start. Greyback and The Tortoise having an advantage of about two lengths from the other two. On the round the Tortoise fell back, while Greyback continued to lead till entering the straight. A good race up to the straight resulted in Garth and Hartblatt passing the leader about 70 yards from home, Garth just winning by half a head from Hartblatt.
Time, 2.11.
Parimutuel, \$15.20, Cash sweep, \$129.15, \$38.90, \$18.45.

FIVE FURLONGS HANDICAP.—For all ponies which have not won this season's Gymkhana and have not been placed first or second.
Mr. Blank's White Heather, 140 lbs. (Mr. Dupree) 1
Mr. C. E. Anson's Dunkerry, 155 lbs. (Mr. Johnston) 2
Major H. Findlay's Polo Stick, 145 lbs. (Mr. Scarlett) 3
Mr. L. K. Leeson's Soudan (late Forfar), 150 lbs. (Owner) 0
Mr. Slater's Pioneer, (late Teddick), 143 lbs. (Owner) 0
Commodore H. Lyon's Cavalier, 140 lbs. (Owner) 0

After waiting sometime for Pioneer which had thrown his rider and made off down towards the sugar works, the bunch on White Heather jumped ahead and kept the lead all through.
Time, 1.20.
Parimutuel, \$10.10, Cash sweep, \$264.60, \$75.60, \$37.80.
AFTER SALUTE RACE.—Dolls to be placed at intervals across the course. Gentlemen to start mounted, opposite Judge's box. On a given signal they are to ride to a point indicated and there dismount, pick up a bundle of sticks and return to the starting point, where they are to hand the bundle to their respective assistants. The prize will be won by the lady who knocks down her doll in the least number of throws and in the shortest space of time. Post Entrances, Fee \$2.00, 1st and 2nd Prizes presented by the Hongkong Gymkhana Club. Nominal, \$100.

MISS LYON—Major Findlay ... 1
MISS EATON—Mr. Mackie ... 2
MISS GRESSON—Mr. Johnston ... 0
MISS WORTHINGTON—Mr. Brice ... 0
MISS DUFF—Mr. Dupree ... 0
MISS FORD—Mr. Moore ... 0
MISS JOHNSON—was first back with the sticks but Miss Lyon was the first to score a hit. Cash sweep \$208.70, \$88.20, \$44.10.

ONE AND A QUARTER MILES HANDICAP.—For all China Ponies.
Mr. Blank's Greyback, 144 lbs. (Mr. Mackie) 1
Hon. Mr. W. J. Gresson's Lamerton, 150 lbs. (Mr. Johnston) 2
Hon. Mr. F. H. May's Astal, 161 lbs. (Owner) 3
Mr. M. M. Brice's Toddlers (late Phoenix), 140 lbs. (Owner) 0
Mr. Setti's The Tortoise (late Strathmill), 145 lbs. (owner) 0
Messrs. Leish and Moore's Sportsman, 144 lbs. (Mr. Moore) 0
Mr. H. G. Moore's Texas 145 lbs. (Mr. Brice) 0

This was the best race of the day. After one false start the seven got away nicely together. Passing the judge's box the Lamerton, a Sportsman. At the Lamerton, a Sportsman was still leading but Greyback had taken second place. Entering the straight Greyback had a lead of about 100 yards and a hard race ensued between Greyback and Lamerton, the latter finishing in the order named.
Time, 3m. 47. Parimutuel \$87.10, Cash sweep \$450.45, \$129.70, \$64.35.

DISTANCE HANDICAP.—one mile.
China Pony—Mollie, 350 yds. (John Lyon) 1
China Pony—Lymann, 15 yds. (Mr. Johnston) 2
China Pony—Rajput, 75 yds. (Mr. Slater) 3
China Pony—White-belt 40 yds. (Mr. Sill) 0
China Pony—White Heather, 55 yds. (Mr. K.K.) 0
China Pony—Vine, 65 yds. (Mr. Lawder) 0
China Pony—Ben Roy, 75 yds. (Mr. Brice) 0
Circus Pony—Prince, 475 yds. (Mr. May) 0
Donkey—Minor, 800 yds. (Mr. Mackie) 0
Baby Elephant—Mick, 800 yds. (Mr. Dupree) 0

This race caused a considerable amount of amusement. Mick went well for about 500 yards when he thought he had had enough and decided to walk the rest. Minor, the donkey, also went well till he came up to Mick, but absolutely refused to pass him—Johnstone on Lymann rode a good race, starting as scratch, and would have won if the pony had had a better finish in him.
Time 3.12. Parimutuel \$15.40, Cash sweep \$425.50, \$135.09 and \$67.50.

CHAMBERLAIN'S PAIN BALM.
YOU will have a good while before you find a Balm that is equal to Chamberlain's Pain Balm. In cases of rheumatism and neuralgia, it allows the intense pain and makes sleep and rest possible. Swelling of the joints, swellings and lumps are quickly relieved by it. For sale by all chemists and druggists.

NEW YORK HONOURS DR. COOK.

FIRST TO REACH THE POLE.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

London, October 18.

The New York Corporation has conferred the freedom of the city on Dr. Cook as the first to reach the North Pole.

TSAR'S MEETING WITH KING EMMANUEL.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

London, October 17.

The place and date of the Tsar's forthcoming meeting with King Emmanuel of Italy are kept a profound secret, as the demonstrations against the execution of the anarchist Ferrer have re-awakened hostility in Italy against the Tsar. It is believed that they are even being prolonged for that purpose.

GRECIAN ARMY REFORM.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

London, October 17.

A message from Athens states that the Premier announced in the Chamber the desire of the Royal Princes that the Army Reform Bill concerning them should be adopted.
The Chamber then passed the Bill for second reading without discussion. It is reported that the Royal Princes have resigned their commissions.

MEXICAN AND U. S. PRESIDENTS MEET.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

London, October 17.

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London, October 18.

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Violent speeches were delivered by Socialist M.P.s and leaders, who denounced King Alfonso as a murderer.

Afterwards the demonstrators moved off towards the Spanish Embassy and the Roman Catholic Cathedral, where the police force, which had been strongly reinforced, dispersed the crowd.

There have been further demonstrations in Paris and the other chief French cities.

FOR WHOOPING COUGH.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

London, October 18.

It will keep the cough loose, expectorate easy and render the fit of coughing less frequent and less severe. For sale by all chemists and druggists.

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JAPAN'S RETRENCHMENTS.

AN ECONOMIC PRIVY PURSE.

(Independent News Agency's Service to the China Mail.)

Tokyo, October 17.

The representative of the Independent News in Tokyo bears that the retrenchments made in next year's budget include the cutting out of several new public enterprises, such as the rebuilding of the houses of the Imperial Diet, the steamship subsidy for the proposed new steamship line between Korean coast ports and Tsuruga. The expenditure of the Imperial Household Department (the Privy Purse) is increased by yen 1,500,000, the full amount being yen 4,500,000.

CHINESE RAILWAYS.

PUBLIC OPINION AGAINST FOREIGN LOANS.

(Wah Tei Yat Po's Service.)

Peking, October 17.

In a memorial His Excellency Chai Shi Chiang, President of the Board of Communications, suggests that as public opinion is against the construction of railways by means of foreign loans, the Board of Foreign Affairs be directed to discuss with the Foreign Ministers concerned the question of cancelling the railway loan convention.

CHINESE BOARD OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS.

PRESIDENT RESIGNS.

(Fah Tei Yat Po's Service.)

Peking, October 17.

Owing to criticism by the people, His Excellency Liang Tzu Yin has decided to resign his position as president of the Board of Foreign Affairs.

PRINCE HSUN'S EUROPEAN TOUR.

(Wah Tei Yat Po's Service.)

Shanghai, October 17.

Prince Hsun left Shanghai by the German mail on the 16th inst. He will arrive at Hongkong on the 19th, and proceed direct to Germany, thence on to Italy.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

London, October 18.

The following guests have been invited to dinner, by His Excellency the Governor, at Mountain Lodge to-night to meet Monsieur de Margerie, the French Minister to Peking:—Monsieur Liffert, Mr. and Mrs. Champmorel, Mr. and Mrs. Berne, Messrs. Mr. Fremantle, Captain de Omaha, Mrs. Murray Stewart, General Broadwood, Sir Paul Chater, Mr. and Mrs. May, Captain Heathcote, Commodore, Mrs. and Miss Lyon.

AN ABSENT JUBOE.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

London, October 18.

A Chinaman, who was summoned to attend as a jurymen at the Criminal Sessions to-day, appeared late and Mr. H.L.J. Gompertz, Acting Chief Justice, told him he was liable to be fined. He expressed regret and was further told to report himself to the Registrar to-morrow morning.

REMARKS.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

London, October 18.

MORE than nine out of every ten cases of rheumatism are simply rheumatism of the muscles, due to cold or damp weather or chronic rheumatism. In such cases the free application of Chamberlain's Pain Balm is all that is needed, and it is certain to give quick relief. For sale by all chemists and druggists.

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